

days after the signature date of this preliminary determination.

### International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, the Department will notify the International Trade Commission (ITC) of its preliminary determination. If the final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after the final determination whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.

### Notification to Interested Parties

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(c).

Dated: October 24, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

### Appendix I

#### Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are certain hot-rolled products of carbon steel and alloy steel, in coils, of approximately round cross section, less than 19.00 mm in actual solid cross-sectional diameter. Specifically excluded are steel products possessing the above-noted physical characteristics and meeting the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) definitions for (a) stainless steel; (b) tool steel; (c) high-nickel steel; (d) ball bearing steel; or (e) concrete reinforcing bars and rods. Also excluded are free cutting steel (also known as free machining steel) products (*i.e.*, products that contain by weight one or more of the following elements: 0.1 percent or more of lead, 0.05 percent or more of bismuth, 0.08 percent or more of sulfur, more than 0.04 percent of phosphorous, more than 0.05 percent of selenium, or more than 0.01 percent of tellurium). All products meeting the physical description of subject merchandise that are not specifically excluded are included in this scope.

The products under investigation are currently classifiable under subheadings 7213.91.3011, 7213.91.3015, 7213.91.3020, 7213.91.3093; 7213.91.4500, 7213.91.6000, 7213.99.0030, 7227.20.0030, 7227.20.0080, 7227.90.6010, 7227.90.6020, 7227.90.6030, and 7227.90.6035 of the HTSUS. Products entered under subheadings 7213.99.0090 and 7227.90.6090 of the HTSUS also may be included in this scope if they meet the physical description of subject merchandise above. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this proceeding is dispositive.

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### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### International Trade Administration

[A-523-810]

#### Polyethylene Terephthalate Resin From the Sultanate of Oman: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2015-2017

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on polyethylene terephthalate resin (PET resin) from the Sultanate of Oman (Oman) for the period of review (POR), *i.e.*, October 15, 2015, through April 30, 2017.

**DATES:** Applicable October 31, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jonathan Hill, AD/CVD Operations, Office IV, Enforcement & Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 1401

Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3518.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On July 6, 2017, based on a timely request for review by OCTAL SAOC FZC (OCTAL), the Department published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the AD order on PET resin from Oman with respect to OCTAL for the POR.<sup>1</sup> On August 22, 2017, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), OCTAL timely withdrew its request to be reviewed.<sup>2</sup>

##### Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Department will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the parties that requested the review withdraw their requests within 90 days of the publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. OCTAL withdrew its review request by the 90-day deadline, and no other party requested an administrative review of the AD order. Therefore, we are rescinding the administrative review of the AD order on PET resin from Oman covering the period October 15, 2015, through April 30, 2017 in its entirety.

##### Assessment

The Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess AD duties on all appropriate entries. Because the Department is rescinding this administrative review in its entirety, the entries to which this administrative review pertains shall be assessed AD duties that are equal to the cash deposits of estimated AD duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). The Department intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP within 15 days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

##### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as the only reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with

<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 82 FR 31292 (July 6, 2017) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> See Letter from OCTAL to the Secretary of Commerce "OCTAL's Withdrawal of Request for AD Review Certain Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Resin from the Sultanate of Oman," dated August 22, 2017.

this requirement could result in the presumption that reimbursement of the AD duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled AD duties.

#### Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305, which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

#### Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: October 25, 2017.

**James Maeder,**

*Senior Director performing the duties of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-469-816]

#### Carbon and Alloy Steel Wire Rod From Spain: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Preliminary Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that carbon and alloy steel wire rod (wire rod) from Spain is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.

**DATES:** Applicable October 31, 2017.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Davina Friedmann or Chelsey Simonovich, AD/CVD Operations, Office VI, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington,

DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0698 or (202) 482-1979, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The Department published the notice of initiation of this investigation on April 20, 2017.<sup>1</sup> On August 15, 2017, the Department postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation and the revised deadline is now October 24, 2017.<sup>2</sup> For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>, and to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

##### Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are wire rod from Spain. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

##### Scope Comments

In accordance with the preamble to the Department's regulations,<sup>4</sup> the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding

<sup>1</sup> See *Carbon and Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Belarus, Italy, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Spain, the Republic of Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, and United Kingdom: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 82 FR 19207 (April 20, 2017) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> See *Carbon and Alloy Steel Wire Rod From Italy, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of South Africa, Spain, the Republic of Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 82 FR 39564 (August 21, 2017).

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Carbon and Alloy Wire from Spain" dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>4</sup> See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).<sup>5</sup> Certain interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. For a summary of the product coverage comments and rebuttal responses submitted to the record for this investigation, and accompanying discussion and analysis of all comments timely received, see the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum.<sup>6</sup> Since the issuance of the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum, certain parties submitted scope case briefs or scope rebuttal briefs.<sup>7</sup> The Department will issue a final scope decision on the records of the wire rod investigations after considering those comments submitted in scope case and rebuttal briefs.

##### Affiliation and Collapsing

In accordance with section 771(33)(F) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.401(f), and the Department's practice,<sup>8</sup> we are treating Global Steel Wire (GSW), CELSA Atlantic SA (CELSA Atlantic), Compania Espanola de Laminacion (CELSA Barcelona) (collectively, CELSA) as a single entity for the purposes of this preliminary determination.<sup>9</sup>

##### Methodology

The Department is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. The Department has calculated export prices in accordance with section 772(a) of the Act. Normal value (NV) is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. Furthermore, pursuant to section 776(a) and (b) of the Act, the Department has preliminarily relied upon adverse facts available for ArcelorMittal Espana S.A. (AME). For a full description of the

<sup>5</sup> See *Initiation Notice*.

<sup>6</sup> See Memorandum, "Carbon and Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Belarus, Italy, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Spain, the Republic of Turkey, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, and the United Kingdom: Scope Comments Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination" (Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum), dated August 7, 2017.

<sup>7</sup> See Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

<sup>8</sup> See, e.g., *Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Coated Free Sheet Paper from Indonesia*, 72 FR 60636 (October 25, 2007), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum; *Certain Coated Paper Suitable for High-Quality Print Graphics Using Sheet-Fed Presses from Indonesia: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 75 FR 59223 (September 27, 2010), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum, at 4 and Comment 6.

<sup>9</sup> For further discussion of this issue, see Preliminary Decision Memorandum; see also Memorandum entitled, "Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Spain: GSW, CELSA Atlantic, and CELSA Barcelona Affiliation and Collapsing Memorandum," dated concurrently with this notice; see also, Preliminary Decision Memorandum, at 4-5.